# Neighborhood Advisory Group (NAG) Meeting San Jose City Hall Wing, room 118 April 15, 2009

## 6:35 pm- Agenda Item I-Welcome and Chair's Remarks

• Don Gagliardi welcomed everyone and called for any announcements.

#### 6:36 pm- Agenda Item II- Open Forum & Announcements

- Councilman Liccardo introduced Chris Constantin, the new police auditor.
  Mr. Constantin will begin his new duties May 1<sup>st</sup> and he intends to do extensive outreach to increase awareness of how the police auditor office can work with the community.
- Lisa Jensen-planning commission, announced Whistle Stop Housing Tour on May 16. \$10 fee includes breakfast & light rail pass.
- Tina Morrill encouraged attendance at the April 21 council meeting in support of filter-free internet access at public libraries. See website for more info, <a href="https://www.booksnotfilters.com">www.booksnotfilters.com</a>
- Councilman Liccardo encouraged attendance at the April 21 council meeting to have input on the policy discussion of Parks Recreation Neighborhood Services (PRNS) fees.
- Dee Urista invited those interested to attend a high speed rail scoping meeting at Gardner Community Center on April 29. The meeting will be held in Spanish (English translation available).
- Lynette Bunyard is the new rep for the Julian/St James neighborhood.

## 6:55 pm- Agenda Item III- District Project Related To Youth Programming

- Joan Rivas-Cosby introduced Adan Lupercio (408-888-3684) and Paul Higgins (408-464-9644) as the co-leads for the for youth programming. They will act as liaisons between the NAG and volunteer agencies.
- Adan and Paul will draft a plan for volunteer recruitment for the May meeting.

## 7:10 pm- Agenda Item IV- Brainstorm NAG Mission

Brainstorming discussion on purpose of NAG:

- NAG provides information to be relayed to NACs
- To provide a pulse of neighborhoods for Councilman Liccardo and provide support at council meetings
- To act as a support group and resource for neighborhood leaders
- To provide face-to-face networking opportunities
- To evaluate issues and take positions as a group
- Councilman Liccardo challenges the NAG to answer the question: What do you want the NAG to become?
- To develop a plan to mentor new neighborhood leaders

- Create time for a "burning issue" and/or "what's your problem" roundtable
- Monthly meeting schedule is good
- Request for less structured, more free-flowing agenda, replace working group updates with neighborhood updates
- Prefer not to have a mission statement
- Suggested expectations: attendance, contribute, advocate and support for Councilman Liccardo
- Meetings are valuable to create change and Councilman Liccardo's attendance is key
- The need for this discussion shows the value of group and the growing pains are a result
- Neighborhood Development Center (NDC) has curriculum for developing leaders
- United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County (UNSCC) is available as a resource
- May 29 free BMX event at Spartan Stadium

#### 8:05 pm- Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting date: Wednesday, May 20, 2009, 6:30-8:00 pm, City Hall meeting room 118-119